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CANADA.

Inspection of immigrants at Vancouver, British Columbia.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Riggs reports as follows: Month of August, 1904: Number of immigrants inspected, 319; number passed, 314; number certified for rejection, 5.

Inspection of immigrants at Victoria, British Columbia.

Assistant Surgeon Glover reports as follows:

Month of August, 1904. Number of immigrants inspected, 214; number passed, 210; number rejected, 4.

CHINA.

Report from Shanghai—Smallpox and cholera—Circular relative to precautions against cholera.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Ransom reports, August 11, as follows:

During the week ended August 6, 1904, 5 vessels, 289 crew, 63 cabin and 36 steerage passengers were inspected. There were issued 2 original and 3 supplemental bills of health. Three cases of illness on board vessels were investigated, all of which proved to be non-quarantinable diseases. Manifests were viséd for 14,827 pieces of freight. The living quarters of 2 vessels were disinfected with sulphur gas, as were also the effects of 84 crew, and the latter were also vaccinated. The baggage of 2 men shipped here was disinfected with formalin.

The weekly report of the municipal health officer shows smallpox 1 death, diphtheria 3 deaths, scarlet fever 3 cases, tuberculosis 1 case and 32 deaths. The total mortality reported was 1 foreigner and 145 natives.

It will be observed that cholera is not reported this week, although this office has personal knowledge of one death from that disease, which occurred in the person of a Chinese house boy. It has not been thought necessary thus far, however, to commence the enforcement of the special restrictions with regard to freight, etc., as the disease seems to be occurring only sporadically. A copy of the inclosed communication has, however, been sent to the various shipping firms, calling their attention to the desirability of avoiding the purchase of vegetables and fruit here. It will be supplemented by additional restrictions when occasion demands.

No quarantinable diseases have been reported from outports.

Circular relative to precautions against cholera.

Shanghai, China, August 12, 1904.

GENTLEMEN: Cholera having again appeared in Shanghai, it will be necessary from and after this date for vessels sailing from this port to any port under the jurisdiction of the United States to avoid taking on board here any fruit or vegetables whatsoever, and the taking of fresh meats, poultry, and milk should be avoided when possible. Failure to comply with these restrictions will necessitate an entry of that fact